

REMARKS

Original claims 1-37 are pending in the above-referenced patent application. Claims 38 – 122 were previously cancelled. Claims 123-154 have been added. Claim 17 has been cancelled, and claims 1-16, and 18-37 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

The previous amendment was rejected as being non-compliant. The Assignee has renumbered the new claims to obviate this rejection. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims pending in this patent application are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

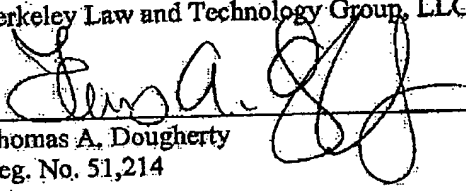
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims pending in this patent application are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (503) 439-6500. Reconsideration of this patent application and allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages of any fees required for this submission to Deposit Account number 50-3703.

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